(c) whether any steps have been taken to prevent this situation;

(d) if so, the details;

(e) if not, what are the reasons thereof; and

(f) whether Government are aware that the commuters are not happy with the existing state of affairs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) and (b) The suburban services are generally satisfactory but sometimes these get disrupted due to various causes such as public obstructions, heavy encroachments near the track, damage to level crossings by road vehicles, law and order problems, interference to railway equipments by miscreants etc.

(c) to (e) The causes of disruptions are analysed and remedial steps are taken.

(f) Complaints are sometime received. However, all efforts are made to maintain the punctuality of suburban services despite very difficult environmental problems in suburban section of Sealdah Division.

Electrification of Railway Stations

2978. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of railway stations electrified in the country till the end of the year 1992-93;

(b) the number of railway stations likely to be electrified during the year 1993-94; and

(c) what are the names of railway stations electrified in Maharashtra and Gujarat during the year 1992-93; and the names of those which are proposed to be electrified during the year 1993-94?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) Total No. of stations electrified by the end of the year 1992-93 were 7026.

(b) During the year 1993-94, 196 stations are expected to be electrified, subject to availability of service connection in time by the State Electricity Boards.

(c) The names of railway stations electrified in the states of Maharashtra and Gujarat during the year 1992-93 and the names of those which are proposed to be electrified during the year 1993-94 are as under :—

Names of the stations electrified during the year 1992-93		Names of the stations proposed to be electrified during the year 1993-94	
Maharashtra	Gujarat	Maharashtra	Gujarat
1. Water pipe	1. Dhanala	1. Rasayani	1. Dhamarda
2. Kelavali	2. Hadalabhal	2. Anchalgaon	2. Kankot
3. Dolavali	3. Lakkadkot	3. Marsul	3. Kaiyal Sehavi
4. Dhajdar	4. Jira Road	4. Gandhismarak	4. Chamaraj
5. Navade Road	5. Vejalka	5. Hatsul	5. Virochan-Nagar
6. Kasu	6. Kidiyanagar	6. Dabka halt	6. Ramparda
7. Bhoras Bhudrak	7. Kansiyanes	7. Amalkhurd	7. Barwala Road
8. Mordad Tanda	8. Dahej	8. Devalgaonachar halt	8. Pudgam Ganeshpura
9. Mahadeo Prange	9. Dhanakwada	9. Dhangtipimapalgaon halt	9. Chanderwa
10. Hamrapur	10. Bhimasar (BG)	10. Sarvari	10. Rayaka
11. Dhamni Halt	11. Bhimasar	11. Tarur	11. Aditpara
		12. Jambhali halt	12. Vijapadi Road
		13. Bimbari halt	13. Alau
		14. Therban halt	14. Jaliya
		15. Devthanan halt	

16. Sehlgaon ha.
17. Samrala halt
18. Adarki
19. Bhone
20. Sonshelu

Reinstatement of Railway Workers

2979. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of dismissed railway workers reinstated till now in service;

(b) the number of employees not yet been taken back to service and the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government propose to reinstate those persons?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) So far 360 of the Loco Running Staff dismissed/removed under Rule 14(ii) of Railway Servants (Discipline & Appeal) Rules for participation in the Loco Running Staff agitation of 1980-81 have been reinstated.

(b) and (c) 251. It has been decided to offer re-employment to the ex-employees, not yet superannuated, except those whose cases were subjudice or are under departmental enquiry.

रेलवे की भर्ती में अनुसूचित जाति/अनुसूचित जनजाती के लिए आरक्षण

2980. **श्री मूलचन्द मीणा**:
श्री जागीर सिंह "दर्द":
क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या रेल विभाग में कर्मचारियों और अधिकारियों की भर्ती में अनुसूचित जाति और अनुसूचित जनजातियों के लिए आरक्षण की व्यवस्था है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या विभिन्न स्तरों पर आरक्षण कोटा पूरा कर लिया गया है, यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण है; और

(ग) क्या सरकार आरक्षित श्रेणी की रिक्तियों को भरने के लिए विशेष भर्ती अभियान चलाने का विचार रखती है, यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं?

रेल मंत्री (श्री सी० के० जाफ़र शरीफ): (क) जी हां।

(ख) अनुसूचित जातियों के संबंध में भर्ती के विभिन्न स्तरों पर आरक्षण कोटा कुल मिलाकर भर दिया गया है। तथापि, अनुसूचित जनजाति के उपयुक्त उम्मीदवार मिलने में समस्या है।

(ग) जी, हां।

Conversion of Shahganj to Maunath Bhanjan

2981. SHRI RAM RATAN RAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether change from meter gauge to broad gauge from Shahganj to Maunath Bhanjan has been included in the Eighth Plan; and

(b) if so, what amount has been sanctioned for the above project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) and (b) Conversion of Maunath-Shahganj MG line into BG is proposed to be taken up in the Eighth Plan subject to availability of resources.

Fare changing in Delhi-Madras Rajdhani Express

2982. SHRI J. S. RAJU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that train fare charged in Delhi-Madras Rajdhani Express does not include cost of food like the fare charged in other Rajdhani Express trains; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Catering charges have not been included in the fare so as to give the option to the passengers between catering provided by Railways and their own arrangements.

Private participation in Railways

2983. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to